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Sent: 9/27/2017 8:19:15 PM
To: Bahrman, Sarah [Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Darcy's call with Powertech tomorrow at 5 pm - bullets

Thanks. Those work for me. I think the R8 briefings can on nature and scope. The HQ briefings perhaps not if we have to work up through lower levels of OW sequentially. I could ask Holly that question if we want a reality check from her.

From: Bahrman, Sarah
Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Minter, Douglas <Minter.Douglas@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Darcy's call with Powertech tomorrow at 5 pm - bullets

Hi Douglas –

I deleted all three of those bullets (as the title is “upcoming milestones”) and inserted this info instead.

- October - November 2017 – informational briefings for Region 8 and OW senior leaders on nature and scope of public comments received.
- TBD – Consultation meetings with three interested tribes.

Do you agree with that change? Do you think all info briefings can be done before Thanksgiving? I'd like to get your and Valois's feedback on timeframes we can commit to for information briefings as well as preliminary briefings on options for revising the draft permits (either things that need to change b/c we had the info wrong, or comments received on key policy areas where we need to consider whether to make changes). Let's discuss next week as I know Valois is out this week.

Thanks

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Sarah: I updated the E briefing sharepoint document to include a third bullet for the milestones section:

- September, 2017 – All external stakeholders notified that all public comments (including public hearing transcripts) have been posted to EPA Region 8's website.

I'm not sure if we really have more to add at this point given current circumstances?

Douglas

From: Shea, Valois

Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 6:20 PM

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Cc: Bahrman, Sarah <Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Darcy's call with Powertech tomorrow at 5 pm - bullets

- The public comment documents have been posted on the Region 8 UIC website in addition to the public hearing transcripts.
- I have emailed notification and the link to people on the contact list. John is on the contact list.
- John emailed me to ask if the comments and public hearing transcripts posted on our website are all the comments we received during the public comment period. I replied back "yes."
- I have tentatively scheduled an information session with the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe on Monday Oct 16. At this time, I have heard that the environmental director and his staff will be attending. I have requested that the THPO also be on the call, but haven't heard back about that. Chairman Frazier cannot participate because he is attending the National Congress of American Indians conference.
- I received the categorized comment documents from Cadmus last Friday late afternoon, but have not been able to review them in detail yet (over 1000 pages).
- We don't have a timeline yet for moving forward, but I think next steps will involve
 - scheduling meetings with EJ and ORC to discuss a plan for reviewing comments, addressing comments and deciding how much additional work should be done on the EJ and cumulative effect documents,
 - deciding what changes, if any, should be made to the draft permits,
 - deciding what comments to engage Powertech in addressing, and
 - determining what clarification of comments received from Powertech is needed, if any.

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Subject: Darcy's call with Powertech tomorrow at 5 pm

Hi Valois: hope you arrived in Boston on time.

Darcy asked for any updates we can provide John and Blake when she calls them at 5 pm tomorrow. Do we have anything more from what you provided below?

For example, I know we posted all comments on our website. Were you able to send out email notifications to all stakeholders? Are we still on track for receiving categorized comments from Cadmus by this week?

Anything new on tribal consultation efforts?

Thanks,

Douglas

From: Shea, Valois

Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2017 10:13 AM

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Subject: RE: Anything I can say in my call with PowerTech this afternoon?

Hi Darcy,

Thanks for reaching out.

Here are my suggestions:

The contractor has completed the compiled comment documents for us to post on the internet. I am reviewing the final documents in preparation for posting on our Region 8 UIC website, probably by Sept 15. I will send out a notification email to everyone on our contact list when the public comments are available.

The contractor is continuing to work on categorizing the comments for us. They are on schedule to have that task completed for us by the end of September. We will start digging in to Powertech's comments once that is done.

Meanwhile, we are reviewing the comments received from CRST, OST and SRST in detail in preparation for consultation meetings. No consultation meetings have been scheduled yet.

Once we have a chance to complete an in-depth review of Powertech's comments, and other public comments that we will need Powertech's assistance in addressing, we will be in touch and begin setting up meetings with them. (Just a note: we will have to carefully document our meetings with Powertech for our administrative record.)

Info about Ponca Tribe of NE meeting last week.

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